Vera, Collbox, and Clearbrief: Clio App Integrations Powering the Future of Legal Work

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The best partnerships work effortlessly. Your coffee maker and Monday morning. A brilliant legal strategy and the evidence that proves it. Software that connects your entire practice so seamlessly, you hardly notice it's there.

That last one matters more than most firms realize. It's why we've built the legal industry's largest app ecosystem, connecting tools that go beyond practice management to support every aspect of running a successful practice. The Clio Integration Awards 2025 have recently been announced, celebrating the most innovative apps in our directory. Out of 250+ software integrations, three rose to the top: VERA, CollBox, and Clearbrief, because they solve the specific challenges that keep firms from working at their best.

Read on to see what makes these award-winning integrations exceptional, and how a more connected tech stack can help your firm work smarter, faster, and more efficiently.

Ready to see what a truly connected practice looks like? Explore Clio's legal software integrations to discover how award-winning tools help law firms save time, get paid faster, and deliver their best work every day.

2025 Winners at a Glance

	WINNER	WHY IT STOOD OUT
Best New App	VERA	AI-powered timeline builder that extracts critical dates from any legal document and auto-syncs them to your Clio calendar—eliminating manual deadline tracking.
Best Business of Law App	CollBox	Dedicated A/R specialists plus automated outreach that recovers an average of $66,000 monthly in outstanding receivables—without damaging client relationships.

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Best Practice of Law App	Clearbrief	AI citation assistant that finds, verifies, and formats evidence from your Clio discovery files directly in Word—saving litigation teams 7+ hours weekly.

VERA: Best New App

Managing deadlines and key dates across multiple cases is one of the most critical—and stressful— aspects of legal practice. Miss a filing deadline or statute of limitations, and the consequences can be severe.

VERA transforms how firms manage case chronologies by using AI to automatically extract key dates and events from legal documents. It identifies critical information buried in pleadings, discovery, and correspondence, then syncs those dates directly with your Clio Manage calendar.

What makes VERA particularly powerful is its ability to create comprehensive visual timelines, giving attorneys instant understanding of their matters. Instead of manually piecing together chronologies from scattered documents, VERA builds narrative timelines that help lawyers quickly prepare for depositions, hearings, and trials.

Firms using VERA see significant reductions in missed deadlines—the kinds of errors that can derail cases and invite malpractice claims. As our *Best New App* winner, VERA exemplifies innovation at its best. It successfully turns a painful task into an almost effortless process through intelligent automation.

Learn more about VERA in the Clio App Directory.

CollBox: Best Business of Law App

Collections are one of the trickier parts of running a law firm. Outstanding invoices can threaten a firm's financial stability, but aggressive follow-ups risk damaging the client relationships you've worked hard to build. Despite knowing they should follow up more consistently, most firms just don't have the time or, frankly, the stomach for those uncomfortable conversations.

That's where the CollBox integration comes in. By integrating with Clio Manage and accounting tools like QuickBooks Online, CollBox creates an automated collections system that works in the background. The platform connects firms with a dedicated A/R specialist who acts as an extension of their team, handling strategic outreach to clients with outstanding invoices. Using proven approaches, they help firms recover payments

without compromising relationships.

On average, firms using CollBox recover $66,000 per month in outstanding receivables—money they've already earned but struggled to collect. This improved cash flow creates immediate opportunities, allowing firms to hire additional staff, upgrade legal technology, or take on more complex cases without waiting quarters for revenue to stabilize.

This is exactly why CollBox earned our *Best Business of Law App* award. It solves a problem every firm faces but few address effectively, turning collections into a systematic, professional operation that delivers real results.

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Clearbrief: Best Practice of Law App

If you've ever written a brief, you know the citation drill: find the right exhibit, confirm the page number, format the citation correctly. Repeat dozens of times. It's tedious work that consumes hours of billable time each week.

Clearbrief revolutionizes this process by working directly in Microsoft Word while syncing discovery files through Clio Manage. Powered by AI, it instantly suggests relevant pages from depositions and documents to support your arguments. With its "Add Cite" button, lawyers can insert properly formatted citations in seconds, without leaving their document.

Litigation teams using Clearbrief report saving roughly seven hours a week—the kind of time that used to be lost to tedious citation formatting and verification. It's no surprise Clearbrief earned the title of *Best Practice of Law App*. For litigation teams, it marks a real shift in how work gets done: cross-referencing documents and citations now happens seamlessly, freeing more time for strategy and client advocacy.

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Key trends from the 2025 winners

The 2025 Clio Integration Award winners reveal important shifts happening in legal technology and where the industry is heading. They demonstrate that the most impactful legal tech doesn't try to replace lawyers but amplifies what they do best. Here are the key takeaways from this year's winners.

1. AI that fits into existing workflows wins

The VERA app succeeds because it doesn't ask lawyers to learn anything new. It works inside the tools legal professionals already use daily—Clio Manage and their existing document workflows. It reads documents, finds important dates, and adds them to calendars automatically.

This matters because most legal tech fails when lawyers won't adopt it. Few have enough time to practice law, let alone learn complex new systems. VERA and similar tools succeed by improving existing workflows instead of replacing them, by handling routine tasks like deadline tracking and document organization while lawyers keep working the way they always have.

2. Better business operations mean better legal work

The CollBox app addresses a universal problem: most law firms struggle to collect what they're owed. Partners waste hours chasing invoices, and cash flow problems create constant stress. This has a profound impact on legal work—when lawyers worry about making payroll, they can't focus fully on their cases.

The "Best Business of Law" category recognizes that you can't practice law well if you can't run your firm well, the two are inseparable. CollBox automates collections, sends payment reminders, and tracks cash flow so lawyers don't have to.

When firms fix their business operations, everything else improves. Lawyers take on better cases because they're not desperate for retainers, they begin to invest in training because they have stable revenue, and they focus on strategy instead of survival. Good business infrastructure isn't glamorous, but it's what allows firms to do their best legal work.

3. Smart document tools create competitive advantages

The Clearbrief app shows how modern firms can turn documents into strategic advantages. The tool reads entire case files, understands arguments, and instantly finds supporting evidence. While other lawyers manually search through thousands of pages, Clearbrief users find what they need in seconds.

This speed creates compounding advantages. Lawyers using intelligent document tools can test more legal theories, catch details others miss, and respond to motions faster and more thoroughly. In litigation, where one overlooked document can determine the outcome, these advantages directly translate to better results for clients.

What's the common thread across all three winners? They handle tedious work so effectively that lawyers almost forget the technology is there.

- VERA manages deadlines automatically.
- CollBox stabilizes cash flow quietly.
- Clearbrief finds evidence instantly.

This is what successful legal tech looks like: AI and automation working alongside lawyers to remove the repetitive tasks that slow them down. The best technology eliminates friction from daily practice, empowering legal professionals to focus on meaningful, high-impact work.

Why software integrations matter for law firms

Every law firm has felt the frustration of disconnected systems, and the hidden headaches that come with them. For example: client intake tools that don't talk to billing, document management systems that require manual uploads to practice management, and accounting software that needs the same data entered over and over. When your tools don't connect, important information gets lost, outdated, or inconsistent.

The real cost reveals itself over time. When paralegals enter client information in three different places, mistakes multiply. When billing doesn't sync with accounting, you're always working from inaccurate numbers. When document automation can't pull client details from your practice management system, you're stuck copying and pasting—or worse, introducing errors into legal documents.

That's why we built our ecosystem of 250+ integrations. Instead of forcing firms to choose between best-in-class tools or a unified system, we connect everything—intake, billing, document automation, communication, and more—into one seamless workflow. Information flows automatically between tools, eliminating duplicate entry and ensuring everyone works from the same current data. Our goal is to make your technology work as hard as you do.

How connected technology drives firm success

Our integration ecosystem delivers on four critical value drivers that today's law firms need:

- **Increase revenue without increasing hours.** When tools work together, administrative tasks that took hours shrink to minutes. Integrated workflows enable lawyers to handle more matters without proportionally increasing their workload.
- **Deliver a modern client experience.** Clients expect seamless communication and quick responses. Integrated tools ensure nothing falls through the cracks, from instant intake responses to automated payment reminders, creating the exceptional service clients value.
- **Scale operations efficiently.** Growing firms can't afford to add administrative staff at the same rate they add attorneys. Integrations allow firms to scale their practice without proportionally scaling their overhead, maintaining profitability as they grow.
- **Work securely and confidently.** When data flows automatically between secure, integrated systems, there's less risk of human error or data breaches. Integrated systems using secure APIs maintain data integrity while reducing manual handling vulnerabilities.

What makes an award-winning Clio integration

When evaluating integrations for our annual Clio Integration Awards, we look at multiple factors that demonstrate real value for law firms through a thorough and fair evaluation process. Our review panel includes diverse internal and external professionals from across the legal and legaltech industry.

Understanding these criteria helps explain why apps like Vera, CollBox, and Clearbrief stood out, and what makes an integration truly exceptional.

- **Clear value proposition matters.** At the heart of every winner is a tool that solves a real problem, take this year's winners for example: The VERA app streamlines deadline management, the CollBox app boosts collections, and the Clearbrief app transforms litigation citation workflows. Winners deliver measurable improvements that legal professionals can count on, like Clearbrief's seven hours saved per week or CollBox's $66,000 recovered monthly.
- **Security standards aren't negotiable.** Given the sensitive nature of legal data, security is paramount. Award-winning Clio integrations demonstrate robust security practices and compliance with industry standards. Firms must trust these tools with their most sensitive client information, and winners prove they've earned that trust.
- **Innovation brings fresh thinking to persistent problems.** Whether through new technology, creative problem-solving, or unique approaches to common challenges, winners bring solutions that move the industry forward. Innovation doesn't always mean cutting-edge tech. Sometimes, it's finding a simpler way to solve a problem that's plagued firms for years. The best innovations feel obvious in retrospect, which is exactly what makes them brilliant.

- **User satisfaction provides the ultimate validation.** Positive feedback, high ratings, and strong testimonials from actual users reflect real-world success and reliability. This is where theory meets practice—firms voting with their reviews and renewals. You can't fake sustained user satisfaction.

Interested in building on Clio's API?Learn how to join the Clio Developer Program and start creating solutions that could become next year's award winner, while transforming the way thousands of law firms practice law.

Build your connected tech stack today

The Clio Integration Awards 2025 winners showcase what's possible when legal technology truly works together. VERA, CollBox, and Clearbrief each solve real problems that legal professionals face daily, from managing critical deadlines to accelerating collections to perfecting legal briefs.

Ready to explore how these award-winning apps can transform your practice? Visit theClio App Directory to try them today, and discover hundreds of additional integrations designed to help your firm work smarter. Withour integration partners, you can build a connected tech stack designed for growth, innovation, and client success.

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